



# THE LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER

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November 16, 2025

Twenty-Third Sunday of Pentecost

10:30 am

..... ✚ **GATHERING** ✚ .....

## Voluntaries

*God Himself is Present*

Michael Burkhardt

*I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light*

Wayne Wold

*Be Thou My Vision*

Paul Manz

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

<We stand.>

## CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✚ one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.  
**Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and one another.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

<We kneel.>

Faithful God,

**you have shown us the ways of your heart, yet we stray from your paths. We are stuck in sinful systems of oppression and do not embrace the freedom of your faithful promises. We ignore our neighbors. We exploit the earth. We reject your abundance, trusting our impulses instead of your steadfast love. Repair our relationships, restore what we have broken, renew our hearts, and bring us to new life. Amen.**

<We stand.>

Hear the good news:

God the Faithful One loves you, ✚ in Christ Jesus your sins are forgiven, and by the power of the Holy Spirit you are set free.

**Amen.**

## GATHERING HYMN

**Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise**

*ELW Hymn 834*

## GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

## CANTICLE OF PRAISE

## This is the Feast

The musical score is written on ten staves, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody is simple and repetitive, using eighth and quarter notes. The lyrics are written below the staves, with some lines starting with a square symbol (■) indicating a new phrase or section.

■ Al - le - lu - ia. This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.

■ Al - le - lu - ia. Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose

blood set us free to be peo - ple of God. Pow - er, rich - es,

wis - dom, and strength, hon - or, and bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.

■ This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God. ■ Sing with all the

peo - ple of God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion:

Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for -

ev - er. A - men. This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God, for the

Lamb who was slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray together. God of light, There can be overwhelming obscurity in this world. But you shine your light and increase joy, and for your brilliance we are grateful. Amen.

<We sit.>

**READING**

**Isaiah 9:1-7**

*Pew Bible page 555*

*Nevertheless, there will be no more gloom for those who were in distress. In the past he humbled the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the future he will honor Galilee of the nations, by the Way of the Sea, beyond the Jordan –*

*The people walking in darkness have seen a great light; on those living in the land of deep darkness a light has dawned. You have enlarged the nation and increased their joy; they rejoice before you as people rejoice at the harvest, as warriors rejoice when dividing the plunder. For as in the day of Midian's defeat, you have shattered the yoke that burdens them, the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor. Every warrior's boot used in battle and every garment rolled in blood will be destined for burning, will be fuel for the fire. For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. Of the greatness of his government and peace there will be no end. He will reign on David's throne and over his kingdom, establishing and upholding it with justice and righteousness from that time on and forever. The zeal of the Lord Almighty will accomplish this.*

*<At the conclusion of the reading>*

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**LIL' LUTHERAN TALK**

*<We stand.>*

**GOSPEL**

The Holy Gospel according to John.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

**John 8:12**

*Pew Bible page 870*

*When Jesus spoke again to the people, he said, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life."*

*<At the conclusion of the reading>*

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

*<We sit.>*

**SERMON**

**Rev. Matthew Titus**

*<We stand.>*

**HYMN OF THE DAY**

**Be Thou My Vision**

*ELW Hymn 793*

**APOSTLES' CREED**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;**

he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Gathered with one voice, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

<We kneel.>

*Each prayer petition will end with "Hear us, O God," and the response is "Your mercy is great."  
At the conclusion of the prayers, we respond with ... in the name of Jesus, who leads us from death to life. "Amen."*

<We stand.>

## SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also, with you.**

*You are invited to share the peace, however you and those around you are comfortable.* <We sit.>

..... ✙ MEAL ✙ .....

## RECEPTION OF THE OFFERING

### MUSICAL OFFERING

Dear Lord and Father

Charles Hubert Hastings Parry

<We stand.>

### OFFERTORY HYMN    Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow; praise him, all crea-tures here be - low;

praise him a - bove, ye heav'n-ly host; praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

## OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray...

God of healing and hope, you bless those who are hungry, promising to fill them with good things. Fulfill that promise through us and these your gifts. Nourish us with the abundance of your feast and unite us into the blessed body of Jesus Christ our Savior, now and forever.

**Amen.**

## GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

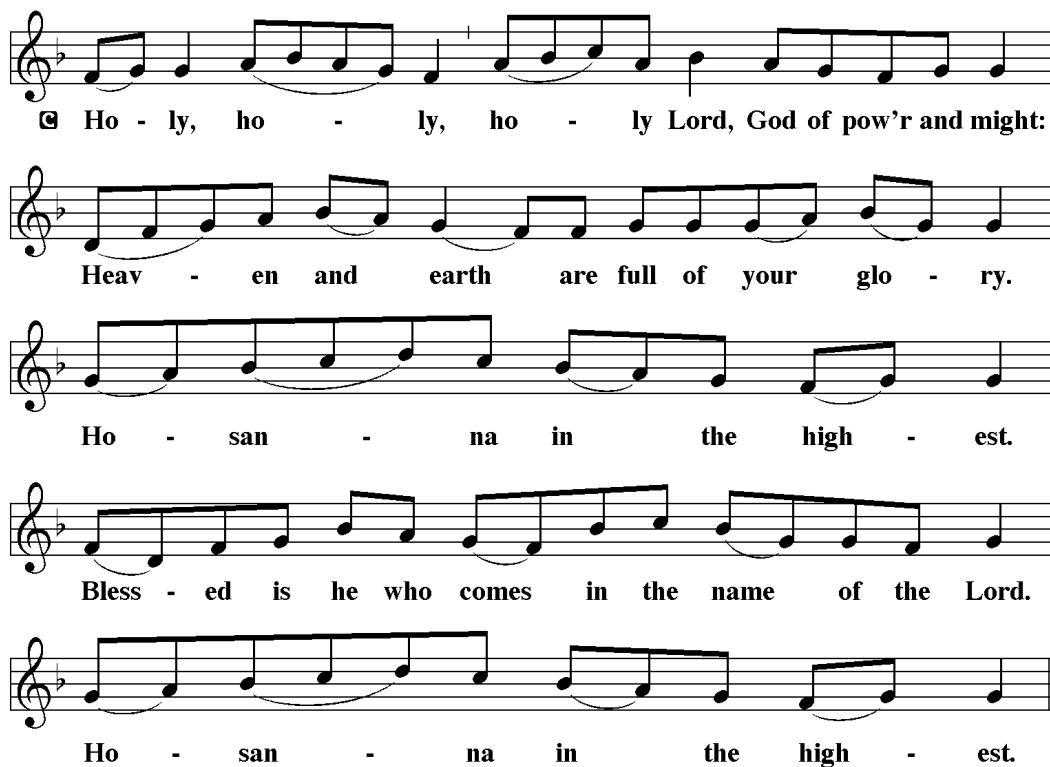
**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

## PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty, and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise ... *here the minister continues with the preface for the day, concluding ...* we praise your name and join their unending hymn.



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:

Heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry.

Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Ho - san - na in the high - est.

## THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this in remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory. Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food, the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever.

**Amen.**

**THE LORD’S PRAYER**

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray ...

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever, and ever. Amen.**

**INVITATION TO THE MEAL**

There is a place for you at the table of God. Come, receive the food that does not perish, a taste of life eternal.

<We sit.>

**COMMUNION**

*Participation in Holy Communion is open to all the baptized. We come in faith, trusting Christ is truly present in the bread and wine – given for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen us for proclaiming God’s love in the world. You are invited to come forward to receive the bread and wine. You may dip the bread into the chalice. If you are unable to come forward, communion will be brought to you. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.*

<We stand.>

**THE TABLE BLESSING**

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

**Amen.**

**POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

God of field and flower, wheat and grape, you have nourished us with the bread of heaven that gives life to the world. Strengthened by the body and blood of your Son, send us out to gather your good gifts for all who hunger and thirst, and embolden us to love and serve in Christ’s name.

**Amen.**

..... ✚ **SENDING** ✚ .....

**SUNG BLESSING**

In the name of the Father.  
**In the name of the Father.**  
In the name of the Son.  
**In the name of the Son.**  
In the name of the Spirit.

**In the name of the Spirit.**  
The Three-in-One.  
**The Three-in-One.**

May the Lord bless you and keep you.  
**May the Lord bless you and keep you.**  
May God's face shine upon you.  
**May God's face shine upon you.**

May God's blessings be with you.  
**May God's blessings be with you.**  
And give you peace.  
**And give you peace.**

**SENDING HYMN**

**I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light**

*ELW Hymn 815*

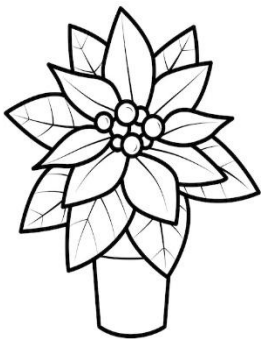
**DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Share the harvest.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**VOLUNTARY**

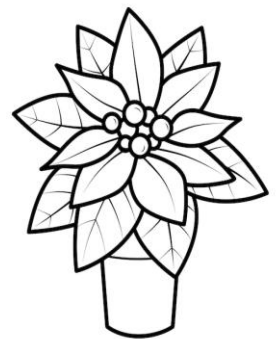
*Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*

Michael Burkhardt



## **2025 Christmas Poinsettias**

**Order Deadline is Sunday, November 23rd**



The plants will be red in color and wrapped in foil with no bow.

A basket for completed order forms will be in the narthex or return your form to the church office.

**Please make sure payment accompanies your order. The cost is \$13.00 per plant.**

In **memory/honor** of \_\_\_\_\_

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Given by \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Plants: \_\_\_\_\_ Payment Amount: \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*Order deadline is November 23<sup>rd</sup>, no late orders will be accepted as Haley will be out of the office November 25<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup>. Thank you!\*\***

## ..... ANNOUNCEMENTS .....

**Operation Christmas Child** - Representatives from OCC will be at Redeemer collecting shoe boxes **November 17-20<sup>th</sup> 9am-noon and 1pm-4pm; Friday, November 21<sup>st</sup> 6pm-8pm and Monday, November 24<sup>th</sup> 9am-noon.** If you are unable to stop by during those times or if you have questions regarding Operation Christmas Child, please call Jane Moose at 803-924-7963.

**The Heartland Conference LMM Ladies Night** will be at Redeemer on Thursday, November 20 at 7:00 pm. A social time will begin at 6:30 pm with light hors d'oeuvres. The meal is country fried steak, rice/gravy, macaroni and cheese, cole slaw, rolls, skins, dessert, tea/water/coffee. The cost is \$15 per person. RSVP to Huger, Jr. before this Sunday, November 16.

**Save the Date** - the Fellowship Committee will host a Christmas Meal after service on Sunday, December 14<sup>th</sup> in the Family Life Center.

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sun
16 <b>Sunday School</b> - 9:30am  <b>Worship</b> - 10:30am  <b>SC Faith</b> - Redeemer @ 5pm	17 <b>Prayer Shawl Ministry</b> - 9:30am  <b>Council Mtg</b> - 6pm	18         <b>Library Reserved</b>	19 <b>Handbell Choir Rehearsal</b> - 6pm  <b>Senior Choir Rehearsal</b> - 7pm	20         <b>LMM Ladies Night</b> - 6:30pm	21 <b>Rotary Prayer Breakfast</b> - 7am	22	23 <b>Sunday School</b> - 9:30am  <b>Worship</b> - 10:30am  <b>Confirmation</b> - 4pm <b>Youth Group</b> - 5pm  <b>Nby Co Historical Society Meeting</b> - FLC

### **Worship Leadership - This Sunday**

**Worship Asst:** Lisa Senn

**Acolyte:** Clyde Miller

**Crucifer:** McKenzie Garner

**Comm Prep:** Polly Davis and Susan Hayes

**Altar Flowers:** available

**Ushers:** Chad Cary, Norris Long,  
Justin Guy, Dennis Caughman

### **Sunday, November 23rd**

**Worship Asst:** Anna Miller

**Acolyte:** Ellie Nguyen

**Crucifer:** Rosealynn Sexton

**Comm Prep:** Huger Caughman, Jr.

**Altar Flowers:** Rey Lominack

**Ushers:** Tommy Fellers, Joey Nicosia,  
Aubrey Guyton, Dennis Caughman

### **Numbers for November 9, 2025:**

#### **Attendance:**

Sunday School: 21

In-Person: 82

Online: 124

**Total: 206**

#### **Offering:**

Gen Operating Account: \$5,349.36

Major Maintenance: \$7,905.00

Abiding Memorial: \$475.00

Redeemer Music Fund: \$50.00

**The Rev. Matthew Titus, Pastor**

**Haley McBride-Stuhr, Office Assistant & Bookkeeper**

**Dr. Huger Caughman, Jr., Organist • Nicholas Todd Shumate, Choir Director**

**Aubrey Cisko, Youth Director**

**A/V Team: Annette Belcher, Wayden Caughman, Nikki Chapman, and Matt Bowers**

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